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Application for Chapters to be considered by the National Council, September 11, 1895.

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EPSILON OF MASSACHUSETTS (Institute of Technology), Boston, Mass.

KAPPA OF NEW YORK (Syracuse), Syracuse, N. Y. Endorsed by Rochester.

LAMBDA OF NEW YORK (Barnard), New York City. Endorsed by Columbia.

EPSILON OF PENNSYLVANIA (Swarthmore), Swarthmore, Pa. Endorsed by Cornell.

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ALPHA OF NEBRASKA (State University), Lincoln, Neb. Endorsed by Williams.

CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED CHAPTERS. 1895.

ARTICLE I.—*Composition of the National Council.*—The National Council of the Phi Beta Kappa Society shall consist of the Senators hereinafter spoken of, and of delegates from the several Chapters of the Society. Each Chapter shall be entitled to send three delegates, who shall be graduates of at least five years' standing and members of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, but not necessarily of the Chapter by which they are chosen.

ARTICLE II.—*The Senate.*—The Senate shall originally consist of twenty Senators, chosen by the delegates at the first session of the National Council, from the Society at large. These shall be divided into two classes, whose terms of office shall expire at the adjournment of alternate regular sessions of the National Council. At every subsequent regular session the places of the outgoing class shall be filled by election as follows: On the day preceding the first day of each regular session of the National Council, the Senate shall meet, and shall nominate fifteen candidates in addition to the members of the outgoing class for the ten vacant seats, and also two candidates for the unexpired term of each Senator who may have died or resigned since the last regular session. Other persons not nominated by the Senate may be presented as candidates at the time of the election. Of every ten members whose term of office shall expire, one may be elected by the Council Senator for life. In every election of Senators a majority of the votes cast shall be required to elect, and in such elections the outgoing Senators shall have no vote. The Senate may fill vacancies in its own body till the next meeting of the National Council.

ARTICLE III.—*Officers of the National Council.*—The officers of the National Council shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, and such others as may be found necessary from time to time. The President shall be chosen from among the Senators.

ARTICLE IV.—*Sessions and Functions of the Council.*—The National Council shall meet every third year at such place and time as shall have been determined by the officers of the United Chapters, and shall proceed at once to the election first of its officers and next of the Senators. The National Council shall make such rules as may be found necessary for the carrying out of any provision of this Constitution.

ARTICLE V.—*The Senate and its Functions.*—During the sessions of the National Council the Senate shall have no separate existence, but its members shall take their places with the delegates as members of the National Council, voting with the delegates, as well upon all other matters as upon the election of officers and Senators, except as provided in Article II. When the National Council is not in session the Senate shall constitute an independent body, charged with the duty of representing the Phi Beta Kappa Society and speaking in its name, and exercising, in addition, the functions of a permanent Executive Committee of the National Council. It shall hold its meetings at such times and places as it shall determine, being first called together by that Senator who, at the original election of the Senate, shall have been elected by the largest number of votes. It shall recommend candidates for election as Senators. It shall also have power to call an extra session of the National Council. It shall furthermore prepare and recommend to the consideration of the National Council such matters as it may deem proper. It shall transmit its list of candidates and of matters recommended for discussion, by the hands of its Secretary to the presiding officer of the National Council immediately upon its organization being completed. It shall also transmit, in the same manner, to the National Council, a report of its doings between the sessions of the Council. Nothing herein shall be so construed as to derogate from the right of the National Council to appoint committees to sit between sessions, independently of the Senate, and to report at the next session.

ARTICLE VI.—*New Charters.*—Applications for charters shall, in all cases, be made to the Senate at least six months before the regular session of the National Council; the Senate shall at once notify all the chapters of such application, and such application shall be reported to the National Council with the recommendation of the Senate at the next meeting of the Council, and shall be passed upon by the Council, which shall have exclusive power to grant charters. But no charters shall be issued without the consent of delegations representing a majority of the Chapters.

ARTICLE VII.—*By-laws and Rules of Order.*—The National Council, at any of its sessions, and the Senate, at any time, may respectively make such By-laws and Rules of Order as may be thought expedient for their use, provided the same be not inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Constitution. A quorum of the National Council shall consist of delegates from a majority of the chapters and not fewer than three Senators; the Senate shall determine the number which shall constitute its quorum.

ARTICLE VIII.—*Rights of Chapters.*—Nothing contained in this Constitu-

tion shall be construed as empowering the Senate or the National Council to restrict or abridge the rights or privileges now exercised by existing Chapters, except as expressly provided herein.

ARTICLE IX.—*Amendments to this Constitution.*—No change shall be made in this Constitution unless the same shall have been proposed at the session of the National Council next preceding the session at which the proposed change is voted for; and no vote shall be had upon any such proposed change except at a stated hour previously ordered by the meeting; and no amendment shall be made without the concurrence of the delegations of two-thirds of the Chapters represented in the Council.

ARTICLE X.—*Adoption of this Constitution.*—This Constitution shall take effect when ratified by fourteen Chapters.

CHAPTER CONSTITUTION.

(Recommended by the National Council.)

I. This Society is one of the co-ordinate branches of the body known as *The United Chapters of the Phi Beta Kappa*, and shall be called the ——— Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society in the State of ———.

II. The object of the Phi Beta Kappa Society is the promotion of scholarship and friendship among students and graduates of American colleges.

III. The members of the Chapter shall be elected *primarily* from the best scholars of the graduating classes of the college, *secondly* from those graduates of said college whose post-graduate work entitles them to such honor, and *lastly* from any person distinguished in letters, science or education; provided, however, that the selection from each graduating class shall not exceed one-fourth of the number graduated. But the Chapter may make further limitations or restrictions.

IV. In addition to scholarship, good moral character shall be a qualification of membership, and any member who is found to have lost this qualification may be expelled from the Society by a four-fifths vote of the members present at a regular annual meeting of the Society.

V. This chapter shall send a delegation to represent it at each National Council of the United Chapters, shall contribute its equal part to the financial support of the United Chapters, and shall conform to the constitution of the United Chapters, and all the lawful requirements of the National Council.

VI. This Chapter shall, by the enactment of suitable by-laws, provide for its election of officers, the initiation of members, the conduct of its meetings, and for such other matters as it may deem wise so to regulate.

WILLIAM SHORT.

(See page 246.)

The following information is sent to the editor by Mr. William Short, of Louisville, Ky., great grandson of Peyton Short, brother of Hon. William Short, president of the Phi Beta Kappa Society from 1779 to 1781: